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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 8716**
Daiji NAKA et al. : Docket No. 2001_1797A
Serial No. 10/000,096 : Group Art Unit 1644
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SPECIFIC ANTIBODY DIRECTED TO ACTIVE
HEPATOCYTE GROWTH FACTOR ACTIVATOR
AND METHOD FOR USING THE SAME

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Official Action dated September 10, 2003.

The Official Action constitutes a requirement for restriction and election of species.

Applicants elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-7, 9-10, 23-24 and 26-28.

Regarding the species requirement, Applicants elect the kit for diagnosis of disease of organ inflammation according to claim 26.

Favorable action on the merits is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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